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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical subassembly (OSA) with optically aligned components including a microelectromechanical structure (MEMS) is formed to include alignment tolerances obtainable with a The jig includes a jig clamp and a jig stencil and jig. allows for the optical components of the OSA to be optically aligned to one another using passive alignment. The jiq stencil includes openings that receive the optical components and are bounded and defined by an edge including a retractable portion. The retractable portions urge the optical components into position. Once the optical components are fixed in position by soldering, the retractable portions allow for the jig stencil to move relative to the fixed components to avoid jamming and misalignment of the OSA components during cooling. The MEMS may then be adjusted to maximize the optical power light source, through directed from the the optical components, and into a single mode optical fiber or other optical transmission medium.

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